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1. The German Central Administration for Agriculture and Forestry was established by a special directive of the SMA on 26 July 1946. The functions of this office were to coordinate the activities of the parallel agricultural departments in the Lander of the Soviet Zone and to supervise their execution of SMA orders. The original power of the Russian-appointed President of the Central Administration for Agriculture and Forestry to issue orders to the Lander departments no longer applies. At a meeting held on 20 January 1947 the provincial ministers of agriculture gave President Hornle of the Central Administration to understand that the newly-acquired power of the provincial legislatures to enact sovereign laws placed these laws above Central Administration directives. The ministers referred to a recent SMA order ([REDACTED] Comment: Order not specified) to support their stand.

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Central Administration
for Agriculture and
Forestry -*

2. The Central Administration for Agriculture and Forestry has been re-organized, and now works on the following basis:

a. Präsidium:

President: Edwin Hornle (SED)
First Vice President: Reinhard Benecke (SED)
Second Vice President: Steidle
Third Vice President: Dr. Kramer
Chief of the Executive Secretariat: Dannenberg

- b. The Administration is divided into twelve main divisions (Haupt-abteilungen) which are further broken down into sections and sub-divisions (Referaten and Abteilungen):

Main Division #1: Administration
Chief: Vice President Benecke
Main Division #2: Planning and Statistics
Main Division #3: Land Cultivation
Chief: Vice President Kramer
Main Division #4: Industry
Chief: Dr. Fauser
Main Division #5: Agricultural Technology
Chief: Professor Dr. Lichtenberger
Main Division #6: Animal Industry
Chief: Vice President Steidle

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Main Division #7: Veterinary Matters
 Chief: Dr. Giese
 Main Division #8: Forest Industries
 Chief: Pfalzgraf
 Main Division #9: Rural Law
 Chief: Vice President Benecke
 Main Division #10: Property Regulation
 Chief: President Hornle
 Main Division #11: Farmers' Associations
 Chief: Bruchlos
 Main Division #12: Rural Education and Agricultural Research
 Chief: Dr. Kunze

3. These Main Divisions are grouped into four sections, each of which is supervised by the President or one of the Vice Presidents. Main Divisions 2, 10, and 12 compose Group A and come under the direction of President Hornle. Main Divisions 1, 8, and 9 compose Group B and are the responsibility of Vice President Benecke. Main Divisions 6, 7, and 11 compose Group C, under Vice President Steidle. Group D, under Vice President Dr. Kramer, contains Main Divisions 3, 4, and 5.

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